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Mothers and Wives and Designed
to Heighten the Joys and Co-
ment the Ties of the
Whole Family
Circle

A Continued Plea for the Purity
and Sanctity of the American
Home.

"There's music in the sighing of a
reed;
There's music in the gushing of a rill;
There's music in all things, if men
had ears.

Their earth is but an echo of the
spheres." —Byron.

"The man that hath no music in him
self.

Nor is not moved with concord of
sweet sound.

Is fit for treasons, stratagems, and
spoils;

The motions of his spirit are dull as
night.

And his affections dark as Erebus:
Let no such man be trusted.—Shakes-
peare.

The music of nature is no less pleas-
ing, no less entrancing than the music
of keyed instruments.

In every human being's soul is a
love for music. In some it may be
dormant, but it will respond to the
touch of a cultivated hand or voice.
Give it opportunity and it will grow.

Musical instruments and books are
influential factors in keeping your
boys and girls out of bad company, in
keeping them at home. If able, get
them what they want.

Parents can have a musical instru-
ment suited to their means if they
will. Where there's a will there's a
way. Save the nickels, save the dimes
for this one end, and the problem's
solved.

Everywhere in this great world is
it acknowledged that music hath
charms to sooth the savage breast. It
has equal power to thrill and capti-
vate the civilized heart. The music
of song and the music of eloquence
attract the people as no other agency can.

Music should be taught in our pub-
lic schools. The exercises in the "lit-
tle red school house" or the weather-
beaten white school house should begin
with song. All the children should
be taught to sing. Music should ring
inspire and thrill everywhere.

A love for music is an indication of
refinement. It bespeaks a tender
heart. The manner of him who has
it may be rough, but his love furnishes
a ray of hope. Persistent cultivation
will subordinate the baser qualities.

If there is the slightest reason for
it, a musical instrument should be
found in every home. If able, it
should be the piano. If not that, then
an organ, the violin, or whatever mu-
sical instrument for which your son
or daughter has a taste. And when
one is purchased, see that there is am-
ple practice.

Better buy your daughter a piano,
an organ or a violin if she wants it
than hand away every dollar to be
given her at a future day. When that
day comes she may be in the better
world. It will not be pleasant then to
have ringing in your ears her earnest
plea for a musical instrument which
you did not provide. Attend to wants
today. Tomorrow may never come.

Music in the Home.

Down deep in every child's soul is a
love of the beautiful. It is not acquir-
ed; it is spontaneous and natural as
life itself. And one of the arts that
appeals as deeply to a child as any other
music. Most children love mu-
sic. Though not all of them are mu-
sically inclined yet they love it. It is
a very unimaginative child; indeed, to
whom music of some sort does not
speak a language all its own.

The problem for parents to face to-
day is, "How are we to make our fire-
sides so attractive that our boys and
girls will not desire to leave them and
drift away to the cities with their
many allurements. Unfortunate, indeed,
are those parents whose financial
condition is such that they can
not afford to buy some sort of a mu-
sical instrument. But can they not af-
ford it after all? Or, more forcibly,
can they afford to do without it? Cot-
tage organs are now so cheap. If the
nickels and dimes that are spent so
foolishly in some homes were laid
away, how long would it take to save
enough to buy one? But suppose even
this is impossible, I believe it is one
of the duties of all parents to sing and
to have their children sing. "I don't
know how to sing," some one says.
Then LEARN how! God has given
you a voice and I believe he meant for
all his creatures to use it to some ex-
tent in singing. It may not be easy
for you to sing. Great heavens! Can
we not try a little? Is marriage to be

the stopping place of all our efforts to
acquire knowledge and skill? I am
honest in the belief that many persons,
upon entering married life, think
that all will be required of them at
the hands of their children is to pro-
vide enough for them to eat and wear
and buy books for some one else to
use in educating them. I tell you that
the education that speaks for a child
more than any other is the education in
the home.

We start our children out in life ex-
pecting them to learn; can we not
learn with them? Perhaps, Mary's
mother is not an educated woman and
has never had music taught her. Can
she not show her sympathy with
Mary's studies by studying just a lit-
tle bit with her? Can we not spare an
hour each day out of our busy lives
of cooking, washing and sweeping to
read some good book or study some
song? It is what Mary needs—the
inspiration she demands and it WILL
be inspiration because it comes from
a mother who feels and cares. There
are some people, though, who really
can not "carry a tune." Even you
are not excusable. There is other
music than that contained in the sing-
ing voice. Mother's low sweet voice
when talking in ordinary conversation
is music to the children's ears. Per-
haps these children think not much
about it now, but the time will come
to them in the future sometime when
they will feel with a pang that they
would give worlds could they hear
once more the music of mother's voice.
Mothers put music into your voices.

There seems to be no end to the mu-
sic that can be found in the home if
we listen for it. Get out in the sun-
set's glow and sit down "In the Shade
of the Old Apple-tree." Hear the mu-
sic in the branches overhead as they
sway softly to and fro. The very leaves
seem to have caught the bee's song
as we Americans began to discuss and
to define the word "lady." Was it
ladylike to smoke? we asked. Would
a lady ever smoke? What was a
lady?

"I think Mr. Gibson's definition of
"A lady" was the best that was given.
"A lady," he said, ignoring the
smoke question altogether, "is a
woman who always remembers others
and never forgets herself."

QUALITIES THAT MAKE A LADY
Idea of Charles Dana Gibson Very
Near the Truth.

"I dined with Charles Dana Gibson
at Prince's restaurant in London during
the season," said a Chicagoan.
The lofty, spacious dining-room
was filled with women in pale gowns,
their hair uncovered and their arms
and necks bare, and though these
women were very fashionable, very
aristocratic, they smoked cigarettes
with their coffee as they watched the
biroscope pictures that went on at one
end of the big room and as they lis-
tened to the singing that went on at the
other.

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EXTREMES IN MODERN COSTUME
Woman's Dress Extravagant and Im-
modest Says Writer.

It has gone beyond extravagance in
women's clothes. It has come into
debauchery. The dress habit is ruin-
ing more homes now than the drink
habit. Ten minutes in a fashionable
dressmaker's establishment to-day
costs the husband more money than
ten nights in a barroom did a decade
ago. There are hundreds of women in
New York who spend more than \$10,
a year on dress.

The woman who might have dared
to walk up Broadway of a sum-
mer's afternoon, ten years ago, trans-
parent a 1906 waist so thin and trans-
parent that a lace curtain would be
opaque beside it, would have excited
the scorn and disgust of her sex. To-
day she vies with her sisters as to
who shall be the most expert in the
art of heightening the effect of exposure
by a shadow of concealment.—N.
V. Press.

Compromise.
"I have a little green daughter,"
said a senator, "who is very fond of
animals, especially dogs. Her mother
has taught her to pronounce the word
until it sounds like dawg. Her father
sticks to the good old-fashioned dawg,
so the child has compromised, and now
every canine is a dawg-dawg."

Continental Manners.
The way we live now certainly tends
toward the modes and manners of the
continent. We go in strongly for out-
door amusements, we take our pic-
nics less easily, social life is every-
thing to us, and the ties of home and
family accept a back seat in our cal-
culations—Ladies' Field.

Where Sun's Rays Never Reach.
At about 600 feet below the surface
of the sea the warmth and light of
the sun cease to have any effect worth
mentioning. From that depth down-
ward the ocean is always cold and al-
ways dark, the temperature of the
water standing little above the
freezing point.

London's Contrasts.
London is the city of great con-
trasts. Adjacent to places which can
be said to be the center of life of our
times we find streets where time
seems to have stood still, and life
itself moves in the slow and old-
fashioned form of another century.

Disappearance of the Beaver.
In the days of our great-grandfa-
thers the beaver was a resident of
many streams and small lakes all the
way from Maine to Oregon. He is
now numbered among our rare ani-
mals, and a few years ago seemed
doomed to total extinction.

Hope for the Bald.
It is not hard to grow hair be-
fore you are 50. Some day I'll give a
sure remedy for steady growth. It
won't cost a cent, either, but I don't
want to become famous in the hair
growing busin—awhile.—N. V. Press.

Importance.
"What makes you regard your
money as a thing of so much impor-
tance?" asked the somewhat cynical
man.

"The eagerness of so many people
to get some of it away from me," an-
swered Mr. Death Stax.

MARIUS HANSON,
Mortgagee.

GEO. L. ALEXANDER,
Attorney.

MAN GROWING MORE HUMANE
Treatment of Domestic Animals is
Proof of This.

"Electric fans in stables, horse
shower baths and screens to keep out
moths and mosquitoes are not uncon-
ventional nowadays in rich men's estab-
lishments," said a coachman.

"The world is improving. Animals are now
treated better than men used to be."

"Look at the drinking troughs for
dogs and cats. You find them every-
where in our big cities during the hot
season. And they are continually in
service."

"Look at the straw bonnets that
horses wear on the hot days. These
bonnets, with a moist sponge inside
them, are an immense protection
against the heat. And look at the
many costly and excellent kinds of
fly nets that are continually being
patented."

"Then there are innumerable board-
ing houses in the country for dogs
and cats and horses, where these ani-
mals may be sent in July and Aug-
ust if the hot weather runs them
down."

"Yes, undoubtedly the world treats
animals nowadays better than it
treated men in the past."

Mortgage Sale.

Default has been made in the con-
ditions of a certain mortgage dated
the 12th day of October A. D. 1901, ex-
ecuted by Charles D. How of Adrian,
Mich., to Almond L. Bliss of the same
place, and recorded in the office of the
Register of Deeds for Crawford County,
Michigan, in Liber G. of Mortgages on
page 364 and 365, on the 16th day of
October 1901.

By assignment dated April 21st A. D. 1906 and recorded in
the office of the Register of Deeds for
said county of Crawford, on the 6th
day of June A. D. 1906 in Liber F. of
Mortgages on page 483, Charles M.
Bliss and W. Herbert Goff, executors
of the last will of said Almond L.
Bliss, deceased, assigned said mort-
gage to Almina A. Bliss who is now the
owner thereof.

The amount claimed to be due on said
mortgage at the date of this notice including
principal, interest and taxes paid is the
sum of three hundred and Seventy-
six Dollars and five cents (\$376.05) and no
suit or proceeding has been instituted
at law to recover the debt now
remaining secured by said mortgage or
any part thereof, and the power of
sale contained in said mortgage has
become operative.

Notice is hereby given that
by virtue of the said power of sale,
and in pursuance of the statute in
such case made and provided, the said
mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale
of the premises therein described, at
public auction to the highest bidder
at the front door of the Court House in
Grayling, in said County of Crawford
on the 17th day of September A. D.
1906 at 12 o'clock noon of that day,
being the place of holding the
Circuit Court within said county.
Said premises are described in said
mortgage as all that certain piece or
parcel of land situate in the County of
Crawford and State of Michigan, and
described as follows, to-wit:

1. A. D. 1906, at 12 o'clock noon of that day,
being the place of holding the
Circuit Court within said county.
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parcel of land situate in the County of
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Circuit Court within said county.
Said premises are described in said
mortgage as all that certain piece or
parcel of land situate in the County of

S BY THE PROPHET

HUMOR IS AN ELEMENT OF LIFE.

By Justin McCarthy.

Mortal life is so full of perplexities, disappointments and reverses that it must be hard work indeed for a man who is endowed with no sense of humor to keep his spirits up through seasons of difficulty and depression, the disheartening effects of commonplace and prosaic discouragements. A man who easily is disheartened does not appear to be destined by nature for the overcomer of difficulties, and nothing is a happier incentive to the maintenance of good animal spirits than the quick sense of humor which finds something to make a jest of even conditions which bring but a sinking of the heart to the less fortunately endowed mortal.

Turn to the extraordinary career of Abraham Lincoln. Here we have a man who could apply his gift of humor to the most practical purpose of political life. He could put new heart into discouraged followers by some suddenly appropriate jest; he could throw light on some obscure problem in statesmanship by a humorous anecdote; he could reduce some opposing proposition to mere absurdity by a ludicrous comparison; he could dispose of some pretentious objection by a jocular phrase. We know how his marvelous gift of humor sustained and comforted those around him in the darkest season of what seemed to be almost hopeless gloom. The whole career of the man would have been different if he had not been endowed with this marvelous possession, and, indeed, it hardly seems possible to form any conception of Abraham Lincoln without his characteristic and priceless endowment of humor.

I am confident that the more closely and deeply the question is studied from the history of any time, and from all that we know of the lives of great men, the more clear it will become that humor may be considered one of the elements of success, along with perseverance, intelligence, clearness of purpose, readiness of resource and enduring hope.

IF LOVE BE GOING, LET HIM GO.

By Helen Oldfield.

When a woman has to recall her lover to her side, let her do so by her charm and by her smiles rather than by reprobation, tears and sulks. When a man sees or fancies that another man is preferred, his self-love is hurt, and he feels that he is injured. If the woman is his promised wife, he has a right to protect, but if not he has no real cause for complaint, and will be wise to devote himself to the task of cutting the other man out rather than to picking a quarrel with his lady love. A jealous man once said to the sister of her fiance at the end of a visit to his home: "You will keep him for me, won't you?" The sister answered: "If a man needs to be kept by some one else he is not worth having." Better let either man or woman go; however dear they may be, than be bound by the galling cords of a jealous love.

For, indeed, the love which continually must be fed and nursed, which cannot stand alone, is not worth the trouble it occasions. Still less is it wise to cling to the cold corpse of a dead love. Better far better, to bury it out of sight and forget it, if one can. And if one actually cannot forget, one can at least pretend to do so. The art of making believe is a useful one in human life, and there is much wisdom in the caustic saying that hypocrisy upon occasion is one of the greatest virtues which a woman can possess. A man generally may show his feelings without reproach, but no such license is allowed a woman. Neither can any deny that it sometimes happens that one may pretend so well as to deceive not

only others, but one's self; may wear a mask so well that one's features take on its shape and semblance. If this end be not accomplished, it is much to be able to hide one's hurt, to cover it from the prying eyes of one's neighbors, from the touch of one's friends whose well-meaning pity often is beyond endurance.

The best way to forget a grief is to turn away from it, to realize the yearning to weep over it, to cherish it, and to bury one's self bravely with the work which always is within reach of one's hand, either for one's self, or, still better, for others.

WHAT DOCTORS WILL DO IN UTOPIA.

By H. G. Wells.

In that extravagant world of which I dream, in which working people will live in delightful cottages and everyone will have a chance of being happy—in that impossible world all doctors will be members of one great organization for the public health, with all or most of their income guaranteed to them; I doubt if there will be any private doctors at all.

Behind the first line of my medical army will be a second line of able men constantly digesting new research for its practical needs, correcting, explaining, announcing, and in addition a force of public specialists to whom every difficulty in diagnosis will be at once referred. And there will be a properly organized system of reliefs that will allow the general practitioner and his right hand, the nurse, to come back to the refreshment or study before his knowledge and mind have got rusty.

Then in my Utopia, for every medical man who was mainly occupied in practice I would have another who was occupied in or about research. It seems incapable of imagining how enormous are the untired possibilities of research. Of course, if you will only pay a handful of men salaries at which the cook of any large hotel would turn up his nose, you cannot expect to have the master minds of the world at your service; and, save for a few independent or devoted men, therefore, it is not reasonable to suppose that such a poor little dribble of medical research as is now going on is in the hands of persons of much more than average mental equipment. How can it be?

PROOF VS. TRUTH IN LAW COURTS.

By Laurence Housman.

The most famous question ever put by a judge from the seat of judgment was: "What is truth?" That it should have gone unanswered, if honestly propounded, had been astonishing; but the silence is well explained if we read into the question a nearer and more pertinent meaning: "What have I—judge—to do with truth?" Is such a reading fair fetched? As surely, from that day out, it is often at the seat of judgment that the greatest pains have been taken to let the question go unanswered. "What is proof?" has stood for a substitute. It is not always the same thing.

Within my recollection the most thorough setback to the skill of the cross-examiner has come from the man of honor, of unblemished reputation, but no memory, from the man of business, of fine ability but no principles, and from the off-scouring of humanity with no prospects and no shame. I can think now of individual and illustrative cases; and, in each case the witness defeat carried him to triumph; and, in each case the lack of principles, lack of shame, gave to each witness a self-possession from which he could never be disturbed; each was able to tell the truth as he saw it, and the wrecking efforts of cross examination were of no avail.

Least of all hers—it's too lonesome

"Tell her I'm out here waiting for her, hoping she'll forget all the foolish things I said the other day."

"And, Jack, here's the ring she threw away—give it to her, and ask her to let me put it on her finger again—for she's the only one I can ever care for. Here, take it, quick."

The music of love's voice filled M'Lindy's heart with joy, and, entirely forgetting her strange attire, she turned with a glad cry and took the ring from the hand of the astounded Seth.

With the ring came confusion and dismay. M'Lindy started to run, but a pair of strong arms soon clasped her to a happy heart.

"There! M'Lindy, you've got no call to be ashamed. I know old Brindle's failings, and any woman who can master her is able to be her own master—and—M'Lindy, I want you to know—I'm in the same boat with old Brindle!"—Waverley Magazine.

All a Lion Would Care For. "Oh, that's a mere quibble," said Walter Camp, Yale's athletic adviser, during a discussion of football rules. "It reminds me of two boys of a friend of mine whom I visited last summer."

"Here," said their mother to the older of them one day: "here is a banana. Divide it with your little brother, and see that he gets the lion's share."

"The younger child, a few minutes later set up a great bawling."

"Manana," he shrieked, "John hasn't given me any banana."

"What's this?" said the mother, hurrying in.

"It's all right," explained the older boy. "Lions don't eat bananas!"—Woman's Home Companion.

Embarrassing.

A Philadelphia business man tells this story on himself:

"You know in this city there are two telephone companies," he said, "and in my office I have a telephone of each company. Last week I hired a new office boy, and one of his duties was to answer the telephone. The other day, when one of the bells rang, he answered the call, and then came in and told me I was wanted on the phone by my wife."

"Which one?" I inquired, quickly, thinking of the two telephones, of course.

"Please, sir," stammered the boy, "I don't know how many you have."

Overripe.

"The life of an oyster," said the astute person, "may be fifteen years, but never more than that."

"Indeed?" replied Jigby. "Then one of the oysters I got in a stew yesterday must have been about 10 years old."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Public Benefactor.

"Why did you name your big touring car 'The Mallibus'?"

"Because it helps to keep down the surplus population."—Baltimore American.

"I hope M'Lindy's well, Jack, and that she doesn't hate me—cause I'd rather be dead. You just tell her, I don't allow to be 'anybody's master.'

Determination sat upon the brow of the fair M'Lindy as she hurried to the house and up to Jack's room. There upon the floor were the working clothes of the absent boy.

"I'll do it! I just want to know how it feels to be a master man, anyway."

"Quickly removing her clothing, she,

A HUGE UNDERTAKING.

Chicago Rail Tunnel for Freight
Extending 45 Miles.

Without blare of trumpet the newly completed freight tunnel system of the Illinois Tunnel Company was recently opened in Chicago. This great work was begun five years ago and the cost approximately has been \$30,000,000. There are now in the system 45 miles of tunnel equipped with rails and overhead trolley in the district which practically encircles all of the downtown mercantile and industrial business of Chicago. In the matter of rolling stock the tunnel company has now ready for use in its freight transportation service 50 powerful electric locomotives and 300 cars, and has placed orders for 500 additional cars and 35 new locomotives. The company has finished connections with thirty business buildings in the downtown or loop district, and connections have also been made between the freight and warehouses of nine of the principal railroads, while others are under way.

President A. G. Wheeler and Chief Engineer and Manager Jackson of the Illinois Tunnel Company, figure that from the opening of the freight service by their company there will immediately be moving through the subway 30,000 tons of merchandise every twenty-four hours.

None of this will pay less than 50 cents a ton, and if the average rate is 60 cents a ton and the estimates are based upon 365 days, the gross income from this source should be \$6,500,000, and the net income should be not less than \$5,000,000 a year. President Wheeler, in proof that the tunnel company is a great organization for the public benefit, with all or most of their income guaranteed to them; I doubt if there will be any private doctors at all.

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The Princess Tomborokoff was found working among washerwomen spreading the propaganda, and the universities became more training schools for such as she. Many of them have been sent to Siberia.

One of these women leaders was Mrs. Catherine Berezovskaya, a member of an aristocratic family, who was imbued with revolutionary ideas from her youth. She lectured to the peasants still aligned by the government. Then, under various disguises, she traveled about until 1874, when she was arrested and sent to Siberia with some 300 others. She was the first woman to be sentenced to hard labor in the mines. She escaped but was recaptured and kept a convict till 1890.

In the recent outbreak of assassinations women and girls have committed many of the most daring attacks on officials of the regime. The instance most familiar is that of the killing of Luchanoffsky, chief of the secret police, by Marie Spiridonova, who has been called the second Charlotte Corday. She is only 17 years old. After shooting the official she was subjected to such inhuman cruelty by the Cossacks, who sent her to the hospital with a fractured skull and many frightful wounds on her body, and there was a great outcry throughout all Russia against such barbarism.

Recently one of these fanatical women committed suicide because her plans of assassination had failed. She was Barbara Prinzip of Moscow, daughter of Lieut. Gen. Prinzip. Among her friends at school had been the daughters of Gov. Gen. Gavrilov of Odessa. These young ladies sent her an invitation to pay them a visit. She told her superiors among the nihilists of the opportunity presented by the invitation, and they commissioned her to kill the governor-general. She went to Odessa and was daily a visitor at the palace of the governor, though part of the time occupying a room at a hotel. Friday she started from the hotel to go to the governor's palace, having in the meantime learned the easiest means of gaining entrance to his presence. Beneath her cloak she carried a bomb. Accidentally she dropped the bomb on the street and it exploded with terrific force, but she was not injured. Knowing that any further effort at assassination would now be fruitless, she returned to the hotel and killed herself with a revolver.

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The agitation for the purchase of "Henderson Castle," a beautiful brown stone mansion on a commanding hill, overlooking the entire city, as a home for the President, is steadily growing. The increase of business necessarily done at the White House, leaves the President no place to go to after the day's work is done, and he is virtually "at the office" all the time.

The Interstate Commerce Commission proposes to enforce the law relative to the equipping of freight cars with air brakes. An order has been issued directing all railroads to report on September 1, the number of cars that have been equipped in accordance with the new law. The railroads claim that they are complying with the new law as rapidly as the equipment can be secured.

Wing On Wo, a Chinaman, has won out in his contention that dried lizards should be admitted free of duty. The custom house officers, not finding dried lizards on the list, promptly put it into the miscellaneous class and charged 10 per cent duty. The Chinaman declared that dried lizards are medicine and should be admitted free, and the courts have decided that he is right.

The killing of the five Japanese seal poachers in Alaskan waters by U. S. Government officers, while not likely to lead to serious international complications, is causing the heads of the Departments of Justice, Treasury and Commerce and Labor considerable trouble. The case is entirely without precedent between this country and any other, and the officials are in a quandry as to whether an apology is due Japan and whether to pay indemnities to the families of the fishermen killed, or whether to treat the case as one of robbery pure and simple, where the robber has to take the consequences. A detailed statement of the affair will determine the course to be pursued.

Naturalization Law.

The provisions of the new naturalization law will take effect two months hence.

Are you a full fledged citizen of the United States?

This is a timely question just now. A new naturalization law was passed by the last congress, and if the people who have not taken out their full papers want to save themselves, money and trouble, they had better attend to the matter before the new law goes into effect. There are two months left yet.

Under the new law, naturalization will be much more expensive than now. The fee at present is \$1.50. The fee after this act goes into effect (90 days from June 29th) will be \$1.00 for intention papers and \$4.00 for naturalization; \$2.00 of the four to go to the Master's work.

To the church and to all the dear friends there we have the kindest of feelings and should any of them ever come this way, they will find the longest latch string extended they ever saw. Yours Sincerely,

A Letter from Washington.

Davenport, Wash. Aug. 27, 1906.

Dear Doctor Palmer:

The AVALANCHE continues to be a weekly visitor and its columns are pursued with interest. We are glad that you are having so favorable a year there and rejoice in your prosperity. Our goods were shipped from there July 3.

I wish you could have been with me as I drove into the country today. We are in the midst of our harvest and it is very wonderful. In one place I saw one of these combined headers and threshers at work. It was drawn by 26 horses and operated by 4 men. One man sat up on his high seat and drove all those horses as easily seemingly as though he had but two. Another man had charge of the header and regulated the height of the cut. A third man is known as "separator man." The fourth man was busying himself in sacking the grain and in sewing the sacks. He was busy indeed. This machine cut a width of sixteen feet and will cover about 25 acres a day. Day after tomorrow I am going to take Mrs. S. and Olive out to the J. W. Fry ranch to see them operate a 20 foot cut machine. This machine will cut 35 acres a day. It requires 32 horses and 5 men to operate it. The extra man will help do the sacking. Mr. Fry has a ranch of 2,400 acres and has 1,400 acres of wheat.

I told me today that he had just contracted for 10,000 bushels of wheat at 60 cents and thought that about one third of his crop. He will clear \$10,000 this year. One man right near the town here will have 50,000 bushels of wheat. Last year this county threshed 11,000,000 bushels of wheat and nearly one fourth of that amount was shipped from this point.

For ten weeks we have had rain except but once to lay the dust. A rain now would do untold damage. Much of this wheat will have to stand in a dead ripe condition for a month or six weeks before the harvesters can possibly get to it. The dust is indescribable. I saw a lady in the post office this morning, whose hat and hair were completely covered with dust. Her waist was so dusty one could not tell the first color of it. In places today my buggy wheels were rolling through dust as fine as flour and four inches deep. This dust is not bad if one knows how to remove it. After a ride one should first use a feather duster on himself. If you use water first your hair and face soon become a mud puddle indeed.

When I tell you that we sleep two hours later here every morning than you do I am not sure that you and some more of the Graylingites will want to come at once. I do not wish to say that you are a sleepy head, but I remember what a hard time you had to get sleep enough there.

This certainly is the "old maid's paradise." If she wishes to change her name and her state in life, she will find a splendid assortment of unmarried ranchers ready to help her along. But should she be one of the "invincible" she will find plenty of chances to replenish her funds. School teachers get from \$50 to \$85 a month and are in great demand. Cooks on a "cook wagon" for a threshing crew get \$21 a week. Every where "old maid's" are in demand. I dare say that if you tell these things around town there will be other Graylingites who will want to come. And, I even know one bachelor here who hopes soon to help one of your hitherto "spinster sisterhood" into a state of grace.

Well, we have had plenty to eat so far. We get plenty of lucious fruit and crisp vegetables, all home grown, at a reasonable price. We have a good loyal people.

I expect to attend conference at North Zakima, Sept. 5. We are planning to return to this place. We have the lots purchased and expect to build a new church and parsonage soon.

Once in a while we get very lone-some for our old friends but, in this new country we find a large opportunity and actually feel that we are needed. We are happy in our new surroundings and are trying to do the Master's work.

To the church and to all the dear friends there we have the kindest of feelings and should any of them ever come this way, they will find the longest latch string extended they ever saw. Yours Sincerely,

H. A. SHELDON.

There has just been hung in the private office of the secretary of state a plaster plaque of the great seal of the state of Michigan, contributed by Hon. Harry A. Conant, of Monroe, former secretary of state, which is esteemed to be the best representation of the authoritative features of the great seal of the state. Many attempted representations of the seal have been extremely grotesque, and have varied widely; all of them, however, preserving the significant features of a shield supported by a moose on one side and an elk on the other, the shield blazoned with a peninsula extending into a lake, with a man standing upon the land, and a rising sun beyond; the Latin motto, "Tutoris," I will defend—across the top of the shield, and upon a scroll below, the legend, "Si Quis Peninsulae Amens, Circumspice." If you would see a beautiful peninsula, look about you; and above the shield the eagle of the United States and the national motto, "E Pluribus Unum"—one of many.

Declarations of intention papers are valid for seven years and no longer. Clerks will have to make duplicates of all papers used in naturalization proceedings and file the same with the bureau.

Heavy penalties are imposed upon clerks and other persons, ranging up to five thousand dollars for violation

INTERESTING WITNESS TESTIMONY

More of It Would Be Away With Many Weeks, Says Writer.

The woman who can make her lover laugh is clever, but the wife who can keep her husband laughing is one of the seven wonders of the world, says a writer. Depression, ill-health, worries, quarrels, all these cease to be when one can laugh. Learn to charm the heartiness from your husband's brow, the moodiness from his man, and you will reign in his heart for all time. Does it seem a little thing to provoke laughter, a thing hardly within the scope of the dignity of a wife? That is where so many women make a great mistake. There are many times in a man's life when he longs for the gayety of a sweetheart. There is, you see, so much of the frolicsome schoolboy left in a man, even when he has put away boyish things. The mischievous spirit is eager to show itself, could it but obtain opportunity; don't check it, never mind if your dignity is a wee bit ruffled or you have perchance to join in a laugh against yourself. "Laughter breaks no bones," the saying goes, and again, "laugh and grow fat."

AND THEN GIRL FELT SMALL

Indignation at Fulsome Compliment Not Necessary.

A Riverside drive girl whose pretty face and attractive figure are sources of embarrassment at times, owing to the comment they excite in public places, tells a good story on herself.

"I was crossing One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street last week to make a few purchases," she says, "when I passed two young youths lounging in front of a shop. As I went by one of them turned to the other and said in a perfectly audible voice: 'Jim, there's a duck.'

"I was deliberating between a withering stare and a lofty ignoring of the incident as the proper way to treat such impertinence, when a particularly fine duck dangling just overhead almost brushed my nose. The next establishment was a butcher shop and ducks were among the commodities for sale.

"For a few minutes I felt so small that I seemed in imminent danger of fading out of existence."—New York Press.

The Wonders of Concrete.

Here are some concrete possibilities. You can build concrete foundations, sidewalks, fences, water troughs, cisterns, water tanks, shelves, cesspools, gutters, floors of all kinds in the cellar, barn and stable, steps and stairs, well curbs, horse blocks, stalls, hog pens, troughs, chicken houses, corn cribs, ice houses, incubator collars, mushroom cellars, botched frames, bridge abutments, chimneys, ventilator dams, windmill foundations, fence posts, clothes posts and hitching posts. There is one farm where the post and rail fences, and the feed bins are concrete, and in another even the lattice under the house, planks and the laundry stove are made of it. Cases of this kind are extreme and impractical, however.—Farming.

Pull That Won Her.

The ice trust magnate looked up at the eager young man.

"You want to marry my daughter, eh?"

"That is my ardent wish, sir."

"And what claim have you on my consideration?"

"I know that the case against the ice trust comes up in court next week, sir."

"Yes. What of that?"

"Well, perhaps it isn't worth mentioning, but my father is a professional jurymen, and—"

"She is yours, my boy; she is yours!"

Trees.

Possibly by reason of some mysterious defect in the national character Americans seem to have little appreciation of the value of trees. The destruction of forests has gone on apace for many years, and even now that the absolute necessity of protecting the remaining tracts is generally recognized, it is only with great difficulty that legislation to this end is secured.

Although the establishment of Arbor day has been regarded as an effective means for cultivating the appreciation of trees, there is still nothing like the sentiment there ought to be against their wanton destruction.

Just Missed It.

An elderly woman who had, during the course of a somewhat eventful life, buried four husbands, encountered at the gates of the cemetery where they reposed an old but timid lover, whom she had not seen for years. She took him inside and showed him—not without a feeling of pride—the well-kept tombstones of her former lords and masters. "Ah, James," she remarked, feelingly, "you might have been lying there to day if you had only had a little more courage."

Discouraged.

"Mamma," said Pickaniny Jim, "why didn't you name me George Washington?"

"Sonny," was the answer, "it isn't givin' to name no mo' chillen George Washington. As soon as day bymes out story 'bout not bein' able to tell a lie, dey 'pear to git 'curious to find out whether it's so or not, an' dey staits in 'perimentin' as soon as dey kin talk."

Bum Pronunciation.

"Why is Cupid represented as a naked boy?"

"Because real love never has any clothes."

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The state tax rate for the present year will be \$1.95 on each \$1,000 valuation, as compared with \$2.45 on the same valuation last year. The state tax is lower in total amount this year by almost a half million dollars than it was last year. With Michigan's rapid growth in all directions and the consequent increased demands upon all of the many state institutions and the different lines of state service it requires a degree of care and economy worthy of sincere commendation to keep the total requirements for state purposes within the figures given for the coming year.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, SEP. 6

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year IN ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

SCHOLARS—See Sorenson's ad.

Hand painted China, at Hathaway's, 25 cts worth of Perfume for 10 cents at Sorenson's.

Holger Schmidt is brakeman on the road.

Scientific watch repairing, at Hathaway's.

It will pay you to read Hathaway's ads. Just try it and see.

J. F. Hum is again able to be around after a severe illness.

Ladies read the new Ad of the Grayling Mercantile Co.

Dan Hossell is now switchman in the local R. R. yards.

The best and cheapest line of school supplies at Fournier's Drug Store.

Mrs. J. A. Morrison is visiting her brother at Pontiac.

F. S. Burgess is again on the street with his butcher wagon.

Rings of all descriptions sizes and shapes at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry store.

All members of the W. R. C. are requested to be present at their regular meeting next Saturday, Sept. 8th.

Fine Sterling Souvenir spoons can be had at A. Peterson's Jewelry Store.

The dealers have some new souvenirs postal cards, bearing neat views of Portage Lake.

Fournier's Drug Store is head quarters for School Supplies of every description, and prices are right.

Mr. and Mrs. Seeley Wakely are taking in the State Fair at Detroit this week.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A light steel Buckeye mower, nearly new. Enquire at this office. Easy terms.

C. J. Hathaway went on business to Detroit Friday, and while there took in the State Fair.

Get your jewelry work and watch repairing done at A. Peterson's jewelry store.

Mrs. Harry Randall of Bay City, came up Monday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Roblin.

WANTED—A country school, by an experienced lady teacher. Address: Teacher, Avalanche office.

The burning of a small R. R. bridge near Pinconning, Tuesday night delayed the mail north nearly six hours.

The Bride's choice now a day is a handsome piece of cut glass, get it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

Mrs. Ida Wheeler and her sister, Helen Scheib, of Saginaw were guests at the Editorial home last week.

By all means, get the best for the money. You'll find it at Andrew Peterson's Jewelry Store.

A sharp frost last Saturday morning did considerable damage in low places throughout the county.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the Avalanche office.

E. Cobb of Maple Forest, is drawing material for a cement basement under his house.

FOR SALE—The furniture and good-will of the Burton House Restaurant and hotel. Enquire or address Chas. Kline Prop., at Burton House.

L. H. Chamberlin and J. E. Bradley with their families have been camping on the AuSable.

E. E. Evans estimates that the pea crop in Ogemaw county this year will be 100,000 bushels, and \$75,000 will be distributed therof.

FOR SALE—One first class coal stove and one air tight wood stove with ash pan, nearly new inquire of C. T. JEROME.

R. D. Connine and family came home the first of the week from a delightful two weeks visit with the "old folks" at Traverse City.

Rev. and Mrs. Pillmeier returned last Friday from the Bible Conference held at Wenona Lake, Ind. and report a very enjoyable time.

Stop just a moment! I want to call your attention to my latest assortment of Souvenir spoons. Call in and see them.

ANDREW PETERSON.

Thomas Amos and wife have returned to their home at Henderson, after making his brother, August Amos, a visit. They were well pleased with Grayling and Portage lake.

WANTED—Girl or middle aged woman for general house work, no laundry to do. Wages \$3.50 to \$4.50 per week. Apply P. O. Box 326, Grayling.

FOR SALE—A sweep mill, as good as new, for one or two horses. Grinds corn and cob, and all kinds of grain into feed. Cheap for cash or will take a couple of weaned calves or some pigs in exchange. P. Aebli, Grayling.

A. C. Wilson and wife returned to their home at Monroe last Wednesday.

L. J. Kraus with a party of friends spent several days last week on Portage Lake.

Chris Hanson is improving his south Cedar street property with new basement and cement walk.

Ed. Shanahan, Harry Simpson, and Will McDonald camped on the AuSable until the provisions run out.

Over sixty ex-soldiers were made glad here Tuesday, by the execution of their pension vouchers.

N. Michelson, with F. L. of Johnsburg and E. E. Hartwick of Jackson, left here for the State Fair, Monday.

N. P. Olson went to Saginaw Monday and Alfred to Detroit, to take in the State Fair, leaving Mr. Morrison alone in the store.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pond have been enjoying a visit with their daughter, Mrs. T. P. Junkin, of Detroit, at their home and on the river and Lake.

Henry Nolan, until recently manager of the South Side Meat Market, has accepted a position on the road for the Saginaw Beef Co., to travel on the M. C. R. R.

School opened Tuesday morning with the corps of teachers all present, and 352 pupils. It is determined by the Board to keep the Grayling school in the front rank.

Mrs. H. J. Osborne has returned from her eastern trip, and flowers and feathers are being placed in accord with the latest designs in Miss Williams' Millinery house.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Two good milch cows, will give milk all winter. Will sell them, if taken at once, for twenty-five dollars apiece.

JOHN JOHNSON.

D. Trotter has been in this part of the state for the last two weeks, looking after lumber stock for his Toledo trade. Of course he came here to stay over Sunday.

Word from the State Fair shows an immense crowd and one of the finest of exhibitions. Crawford County booth is all right, and will be recognized when they give final judgment.

The Ladies' Union of the Presbyterian church will hold a business meeting to elect officers for the ensuing year, in the church Friday, Sept. 7th, at 2 P. M. All members are requested to be present.

Mrs. L. T. Lyons of Fenton, who will be remembered here as a teacher in our school ten years ago, Miss Louise Adams, was welcomed at our home Monday, but her visit was too short for comfort.

Mrs. Mary Vallad of Beaver Creek, has been gladdened by a visit from her sister, Mrs. Sarah Daily, of Adrian, and her son, with Miss Clara Keil, and her brother, and his wife from Toledo, Ohio.

Mrs. Vandewater, now of Owosso, came up with Miss Cora last Saturday and has a sweet though short visit with old friends here. Miss Vandewater has gone to her school at Johnsburg, where she will teach another year.

The Primary Election in this place, Tuesday, went begging. No interest was shown and only 32 votes polled for Representative in Congress. Loud with no opposition. Double had 17 votes and Mitchell 12 for representative in the State Legislature.

The "Free Guitar" offer at our store will terminate October 25th and no tickets will be accepted on the offer after that date. Get the \$100, mark by that time, and secure a guitar free.

SALLING HANSON & CO.

Mrs. M. A. Bates and son, Emerson, of Grayling, Mrs. W. Gaffey and two children, of New York, Mrs. George Hathaway and two children, of Millersburg, are visiting their sister, Mrs. J. Hoyt. Mrs. Hoyt held a family reunion on Wednesday.—Gaylord Times

For Sale or Trade—McCormick self-binder, in good repair; cut all my grain with it this year. Wish to get a larger machine. Will sell on favorable terms or will trade for cows and heifers. W. A. Montgomery, Wellington Mich.

We are pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a beautiful bouquet of nasturtiums from the garden of Mrs. John Hanna, of Beaver Creek. We are glad to say that nearly every farm in the county has some space devoted to flowers which add greatly to the beauty of it all.

WANTED—To trade two fine steers, 3 and 4 years old, weight about 3400, also good heavy yearling bull and good driving mare, for good work team and harness. Have several head of 1, 2 & 3 year old stock for sale or trade, all fat. Call on or address Thos. Wakeley, Box 72, Grayling, Mich.

The home merchant who buys his printed matter, stationary etc. of outside houses, who run a big line of cheap general forms for bills etc., because he can get them a few cents cheaper than the home printer's price for a high class job with some individuality to it, who will use sale slips and other supplies sent with large orders for soap as a premium and then kicks because the farmer buys of the mail order house, has several new things coming. He is in the same class and has not a whit more of public spirit nor loyalty to home industry and thrift than the mail order patron. Consistency is the first requisite of logic in an argument against foreign trade. Ex.

THE BREATH OF LIFE.

It's a significant fact that the strong animal of its size, the gorilla, also has the largest lungs. Powerful lungs means powerful creatures. How to keep the breathing organs right should be man's chief study. Like thousands of others, Mrs. Ora A. Stephens, of Port Williams, O., has learned how to do this. She writes: "Three bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery stopped my cough of two years and cured me of what my friends thought consumption. O, it's grand for throat and lung troubles." Guarded by L. Fournier, druggist. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our most sincere and heart-felt thanks to all kind friends and neighbors who in any way assisted us during the long illness and death of our dear mother, Mrs. Clarissa J. Shellenbarger.

THE CHILDREN.

Obituary.

Clarissa J. West was born in Tuscarawas Co., Ohio, Oct. 11, 1848. She was united in marriage to Nicholas Shellenbarger in 1863. To this union was born six children three sons and three daughters. All three daughters preceeded her to the care of her Savoy, two in infancy, and one, Mrs. John Clark, at the age of twenty-five years.

She quietly passed away Saturday night, Sept. 1st, 1906, aged 58 years, 11 months and 10 days. She leaves three sons, one adopted son, eight grandchildren, two brothers, and a host of friends to mourn her loss, but their loss is her eternal gain. She gave her heart to God when quite young and she has always lived a faithful worker for her Master. She was a member of the Ladies G. A. R. Circle. She was a kind and devoted wife, a loving mother, a true and noble friend, always ready to lend a helping hand to all who were in need. Although she was a constant sufferer and confined to her bed for five months, she never complained but said, "They will be done on Lord."

"Mother sleeps, and sweet is her rest. Fold her hands tenderly o'er her dear breast.

Long was her suffering, severe was the pain,

Weep not dear children, your loss is her gain.

"Her sorrows are over, she knows no more care,

Her dear loving hands, palms of victory will bear.

We miss the dear mother, from our home and our place,

We miss the bright sunshine of thy loving face.

"Her loved ones offered many an earnest prayer

That the dear Lord her life might longer spare.

But the Death angel came and cut all kindred ties.

And angels soared with her to Heavenly skies.

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Well Worth Trying.

W. H. Brown, the popular pension attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., says: "Next to a pension, the best thing to get is Dr. King's New Life Pill." He writes: "They keep my family in splendid health." Quickest cure for Headache, Constipation and Biliousness. 25c. Guaranteed at L. Fournier's drug store.

Resolution of Condolence.

Whereas our Circle has again been broken by the death of our sister Clarissa Shellenbarger,

Resolved by the members of Garfield Circle, No. 16, Ladies of the G. A. R. that we hereby extend to the family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement and further,

Resolved as a token of our esteem for our departed sister, we will drape our charter for thirty days and also place these resolutions on file in the records of our Circle. Committee,

ANNIE HARRINGTON.

MARY POND.

SARAH FURGUSON.

NOTICE OF TEACHERS EXAMINATION.

There will be an examination of teachers at the Court House in Grayling, Thursday and Friday, October 18th and 19th. The subjects to be examined on are as follows:

Reading: "Gray Champion"—Hawthorne.

Arithmetic: Occupations—the paper hanger, lumber dealer, carpet-man, proportion, mensuration, surfaces, solids, square root, cube root.

Grammar: Verbs and their modifications, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions and their various forms and uses, sentence analysis, sentence arrangement, paragraphing and punctuation.

Geography: Eurasia, Africa, Australia and islands in Pacific and Indian Oceans.

U. S. History.—The Revolution including the Critical period, the Constitution, including among other things a study of the Federal constitution, a comparison of Constitution with Articles of Confederation, Northwestern Territory as a bond of union.

Theory and Art—Based partly on Dutton's School Management.

Civil Government—President's cabinet and duties, Governor's appointees and duties, Ambassadors, Ministers, Consuls.

J. E. BRADLEY,

Sept 6 County Commissioner,

Notice.

Heinz Vinegar

The best high grade
White Vinegar in
the market at
the store of

CONNINE & CO.

SCHOLARS

"When the School Bell Rings Again,"

You will need tablets, pencils pens, inks, etc.

We have a complete assortment of these things that are ready for your inspection.

Let us Show You.

J. W. Sorenson.

SPECIAL PURCHASE OF LADIES' WAISTS!

We secured from one of the leading Ladies' Shirt Waist manufacturers a sample line of Ladies' Shirt Waists, which were made to retail for from \$3.50 to \$8.00. We shall put them on sale at

Special Prices from \$2.50 to \$5.00.

Every Waist is strictly latest Fall style. A chance to secure a Waist at money saving prices.

Call and look them over.



We wish to call particular attention to our splendid line of
SCHOOL CLOTHES
Every thing in the line of Suits, Shoes, Caps, Dresses &c. for boys and girls.

Grayling Mercantile Co., Exclusive Agents for Grayling

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

PROMOTIONS IN ARMY.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT SOON TO TAKE MATTER UP.

It is said that MacArthur will succeed Lieutenant General Corbin in September—River Steamer Burns at Brownsville, Minn.

As soon as the naval maneuvers are over at Oyster Bay it is expected that President Roosevelt will take up the matter of filling important vacancies that are to occur in the army. Lieut. Gen. Corbin will retire Sept. 15, and it is known that he is to be succeeded by Major Gen. MacArthur, now commanding the Pacific division. The vacancy in the list of major generals will be filled by the promotion of Brig. Gen. Jesse M. Lee. There has been a warm contest over the succession to the brigadier general's vacancy. Capt. John J. Pershing, military attaché at the embassy in Japan, is among those mentioned in this connection. Paymaster General Dodge will retire Sept. 11. Col. Towar, who is senior colonel of the pay corps, will waive his rights in favor of Col. Shiffin for the paymaster generalship if assured that it will not prejudice his chances when Col. Shiffin reaches the retiring stage. Col. Shiffin was private secretary to President Grant, who appointed him major in the pay corps. Other officers have friends who have urged their selection.

ON THE DIAMOND FIELD.

Progress of Clubs in Race for Base Ball Pennants.

	W.	L.
Chicago	31	51
New York	43	42
Pittsburgh	45	43
Philadelphia	54	45

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.
Chicago	70	40
New York	45	48
Philadelphia	45	42
Cleveland	42	51

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	W.	L.
Columbus	52	51
Milwaukee	75	58
Tulane	43	42
Minneapolis	68	63

WESTERN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.
Dos Moines	52	33
Omaha	59	53
Lincoln	56	42

SPAIN TO LOWER TARIFF RATES.

Reciprocal Agreement with United States Effective Sept. 1.

The State Department in Washington made public a proclamation by President Roosevelt declaring and putting into effect Sept. 1 the new agreement as to reciprocal tariff concessions between this government and Spain. Under the agreement American goods are to pay duty according to Spain's second tariff schedule, the rate accorded favored nations, in return for American concessions in the way of tariff reductions on other Spanish imports into the United States.

RIVER STEAMER BURNS.

Officers and Crew of the City of Hudson Narrowly Escape.

The steamer City of Hudson which is in the passenger business between La Crosse and Brownsville, Minn., burned to the water's edge off the latter port. The officers and crew were awoke at the time, the boat being anchored some distance out, and were awakened by the noise of the flames. Captain V. J. Woolsey succeeded in arousing his crew and all escaped, the flames being so close that they had no time to dress.

Dispensary May Be Abolished.

The South Carolina dispensary may be abolished as a result of Democratic primaries. The vote was a defeat for Senator Tillman, as M. F. Angel will head the ticket for Governor; returns received so far indicate. For Attorney General J. Frazee Lyon has a large lead. The election of Angel and Lyon would mean defeat for the dispensary and for Tillman.

Chile to Assert Itself.

President Biesco of Chile expressed the belief that all the villages and towns of Chile destroyed by the recent earthquake would be rebuilt on their old sites. The Chilean people, the president said, would always be grateful for the generosity and self-sacrifice of the foreign colonies in Chile, and particularly by the Italians, at the moment of the disaster.

Break in Glass Floor Fatal.

Lena destrada, a telephone operator, was killed by falling from the third-story of the Douglass street exchange building in Omaha. Miss Jeffries was in the rest room, which has a glass floor. One of the sections of glass was cracked. The young woman stepped on it, and fell to the basement.

Financial Rotteness Exposed.

Embezzlement of millions of dollars by Frank K. Hippie, president of the wrecked West Estate Trust Company of Philadelphia, who committed suicide, has been exposed. His friendliness for a woman whom he is said to have backed in establishing a school figures in the revelation.

Paid Up \$55,103,603.22 on Blanks.

Thirty-five insurance companies out of the 120 involved in the San Francisco disaster have paid, in the aggregate, \$55,103,603.22, according to their office records to date. Some of the larger concerns have made heavy payments.

Wife of One Family.

While his wife and his daughter, whose death resulted from her uncaring care in watching over her sick mother, were being buried, the husband and father, overcome by grief, fell from the window of a house in New York and was injured fatally.

Forty Cuban Rebels Are Killed.

In the fiercest and bloodiest battle of the Cuban revolution a band of insurgents estimated to be 500 was defeated by 150 rural guards and volunteers after a three hours' conflict. The battle occurred near Campo Florida, twenty miles east of Havana. Forty insurgents were killed and many more were wounded.

Captain and Sailors Burned.

Word reached West Selkirk, Man., that the steamer Princess, the largest passenger and freight boat on Lake Winnipeg, was wrecked at George's Islands. Captain Lowe and five members of the crew were drowned.

LIGHTNING'S OTHER CAPERS.

Second Bolt Kills Husband and James' Wife and Child.

While tacking down a carpet and talking with a happy future with his wife and baby in their new home near Laume, Ohio, however, Dennis, aged 23, was paralyzed by a thunderbolt which descended the chimney. Mrs. Dennis and her 2-year-old girl were also knocked down, but not badly hurt. "For God's sake, save me if you can," gasped Dennis to his wife. She struggled to her feet and crossed the room with the child toddling behind her. With a supreme effort the brave woman raised her stricken husband to his feet and half dragged and half carried him to the doorway, where she thought the fresh night might revive him. "I feel better now," Dennis muttered, when a second bolt crashed through the roof of the little home, striking him dead in his wife's arms. Mrs. Dennis was rendered unconscious by the shock and the baby girl, who had followed the staggering parents across the room crying pitifully for "mamma," was buried twenty feet in a corner behind the stove. When Mrs. Dennis came to she found her husband dead in her arms. The mother and child will recover.

LETS TWO FRIENDS DROWN.

Boys Stun Silent on Bank of Mississippi as Comrades Sink.

Dewey Stanford, of St. Louis, 7 years old, stood and watched his two companions, George and Ralph Gross, drown, without calling for help, fearing that if it became known that he had been in the river he would receive a whipping. George Gross was 12 years old and his brother, 10. They went swimming at the foot of Angelica street. Ralph dived into the deep water and came up struggling. George went out to his assistance, but was unable to bring him in, and the two, after a brief struggle, went down. Dewey watched their struggles and then ran home. Two laborers, both good swimmers, were at work 100 feet above the spot where the boys were in swimming and could easily have saved them. Dewey ran home and said nothing of the drowning. When darkness came and he was asked by Mrs. Gross where her two boys were he said they had gone to the river. It was only after much questioning that he told of the drowning.

SAVED FROM BURNING BOAT.

Steamer Charles A. Eddy Destroyed in Lake Huron.

The steamer Charles A. Eddy of Cleveland, bound down from Ashland, Wis., to Cleveland, caught fire about 2 a.m. off Port Sanilac, Lake Huron. She blew signals of distress and three steamers went to her rescue, one of which was the City of Mackinac. The Eddy was macking for Port Sanilac, Mich., and the Mackinac took off her passengers and crew and proceeded on to Detroit. No lives were lost. The flames mounted to a great height and made a spectacle that was seen for miles out on the lake and up and down the shore. The Eddy is an ore carrier and is 281 feet long and forty feet beam. She is 2,675 tons and was built in 1889. The Eddy was owned by the Gilchrist Transportation Company of Cleveland. Twenty-one persons, including the captain's wife and two little children, were rescued from the burning steamer. The Eddy was destroyed.

Operator Murdered at Post.

Lloyd Gwyn, formerly of Windsor, Ont., night operator for the Michigan Central Railroad at Galesburg, Mich., was found murdered at his post by the conductor of a passing train. Gwyn was shot through the eye and breast. The motive is not known. Seventy dollars and a gold watch which were on Gwyn's person were not touched.

Son Repents Her Deed.

Mrs. Bert Foster, aged 35, whose mind had become deranged from ill health, made a desperate attempt to end her life in Bedford, Ind., by shooting from her room and jumping into a cistern containing twelve feet of water. The immersion brought her to her right mind. Grabbing the pump stock, she screamed for help, and neighbors rescued her unharmed.

Tragedy's Shortage Discovered.

Irregularities in the accounts of Dr. Robert D. Sheppard, former treasurer of Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and Garrett Biblical Institute, Chicago, involving a sum estimated at between \$72,000 and \$200,000, are discovered. The educator and his friends say some property already has been turned over and that no one will lose a dollar.

Bomb Kills Twenty-eight Persons.

Terrorists attempted to assassinate Premier Stolypin, throwing a bomb into his villa near St. Petersburg during a reception, killing twenty-eight and injuring twenty-four persons. The premier and his son were injured and his daughter was killed. Two of the revolutionists are dead.

Bomb in Glass Floor Fatal.

President Biesco of Chile expressed the belief that all the villages and towns of Chile destroyed by the recent earthquake would be rebuilt on their old sites. The Chilean people, the president said, would always be grateful for the generosity and self-sacrifice of the foreign colonies in Chile, and particularly by the Italians, at the moment of the disaster.

Woman Gets a Reprieve.

Gov. Folk at Jefferson City, Mo., granted a reprieve till Oct. 26 to Mrs. Agnes Myers, now in jail at Liberty awaiting execution for the murder of her husband. No action was taken up to noon in the case of Frank Hottman, Mrs. Myers' accomplice.

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Miss Clara Mullen and Lucy Hill of Pleasant Hill, near Loveland, Ohio, were drowned by the overturning of a buggy in a small creek. They attempted to ford the creek, which was swollen by recent heavy rains.

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Martin Kane and H. L. McGrath were caught by the current and carried through the whirlpool rapids while boating in the gorge at Niagara Falls. Kane was drowned, but McGrath managed to swim to the shore.

Large Sam Disappears.

Three hundred thousand dollars, the proceeds from the sale of bonds of the Toledo, Ann Arbor and Detroit Electric railroad, has been shown to have vanished mysteriously, and receivers for the company have been appointed.

Earl Grey Nearly Blinded.

Earl Grey, governor general of Canada, had a narrow escape from serious injury in Winnipeg. Just before retiring an electric bulb exploded full in his face and bits of glass were blown into his eyes.

Woman Aeronaut Killed.

While attempting her fourth ascension in Wichita, Kan., all of which had resulted in hairbreadth escapes, Mrs. Mamie Napier, a professional aeronaut, was killed by a fall of fully 100 feet.

Boats Wrecked by Flood.

Mail advises from Mazatlan, Mexico, that floods on the mountain did great damage to the city. Many stores were partially and some completely wrecked. Along the beach many houses were swept away. No loss of life is reported.

YOUTH KILLS FATHER.

PALTRY \$600 IS PRICE OF PARACIDE.

Sidney Sloane, in Spokane, Wash., Then Carts Body Out and Dumps It in Alley—Irrigation Project in Colorado.

The body of James F. Sloane, a plowman merchant of Spokane, Wash., was found behind a pile of rocks in an alley near his home. There were great gashes in his head and a trail of blood led from the alley to Sloane's home. Investigation proved that he was murdered in his room shortly after midnight, his body being loaded into a wheelbarrow, trundled to the alley and dumped against the rocks. Sidney Sloane, the 17-year-old son of the murdered man, was taken into custody by the police shortly after the body was discovered. At first he protested his innocence, but later broke down and confessed. He said he slew his father with an ax, in the hope of getting \$500 which he thought his father carried. Mr. Sloane had been one of Spokane's leading merchants for years. He was the senior member of the Sloane-Paine Company.

ST. PAUL FACTORIES BURNED.

Heinz Pickle Warehouse and American Can Plant Destroyed.

Fire which started in the warehouse of the Heinz Pickle Company on the west side of St. Paul, Minn., shortly after midnight and burned fiercely for three hours, destroyed the big plant of the Heinz company, the large factory of the American Can Company and a three-story frame tenement building on the opposite side of the street. The total loss is estimated at \$355,000, of which \$300,000 is on the can company. When it was found that the fire had got beyond the control of the firemen the tenants lost all their personal effects.

HUGE IRRIGATION PROJECT.

Colorado Engineers Plan Irrigation of Nearly 1,000,000 Acres.

Papers have been filed with the State engineer of Colorado for the redemption of nearly 1,000,000 acres of arid land, the largest irrigation proposition ever undertaken by private capital. Frank J. MacArthur, a civil engineer, is drafting plans for a reservoir to cover twenty-four square miles, have an average depth of thirty-five feet, and use the entire surplus water of the Platte river. It has been estimated that 38,115,000,000 cubic feet of water was wasted yearly from the Platte river. This proposition is being financed by a syndicate of New York and London bankers. The estimated cost is about \$4,000,000. Work will commence about Oct. 1.

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Enthusiastic Reception for Bryan.

William J. Bryan arrived in New York Wednesday from abroad and was given an enthusiastic reception by the "home folks," after which he went to the summer home of Lewis Nixon, tactfully avoiding all chance for strife between rival welcomers.

Tragedy to Wreck Fast Train.

An attempt was made to wreck a fast Rock Island passenger train, and a broader one when he saw his old friend, Mayor "Jim" Dahlman of Omaha, standing on the "niggerhead" of the tug, rope in hand, ready to hurl it about the head of Mr. Bryan if he refused to come peacefully aboard the craft.

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Outside of its political features the welcome extended to Mr. Bryan Thursday night and the ovation that greeted him, a mere private citizen, from the time he set foot on Manhattan Island in the afternoon until he left Madison Square Garden late at night, will stand out in history as something remarkable. There may have been greater demonstrations in New York over men, but there may have been bigger crowds and louder cheers. But there never

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Happenings in Pleasant Alley

By H. P. Gethen

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When Joe Robins was little over 20 he decided to bring home a wife, and with doubts and fears his mother consented, for the girl was a young creature living in "Pleasant" alley, where the domestic arts of needlework and cooking were held of very small account.

The wedding took place one Sunday morning, and many of the inhabitants of the alley went to look on. They considered flowers and rice the chief essentials of the ceremony, and when Joe and his bride emerged from the church a shower of rice overtook them, stinging painfully on necks and ears; another and another handful followed until the couple fairly started off to run, and by sheer speed they distanced their pursuers and took refuge breathlessly in "Pleasant" alley.

Joe's mother, Mrs. Robins, thought of her own wedding day 'midst sweater surroundings than those, for she'd been married down in the country on a lovely morning in May. But she brushed off the rice from her new daughter's fine hat, and smoothed down the pretty woollen gown—her own gift, of which the girl was inordinately proud. The two actions were typical of Mrs. Robins, for she brushed aside small annoyances and smoothed down every difficulty she could, making their rough lives more endurable.

Her grandchildren were a great joy to Mrs. Robins, and her favorite was a second little Joe, "who took after his father," she said. But, alas! there came one bitter winter when work was very scarce, and strikes had so far only made the wages lower.

"Even the weather is agen us," said hollow-cheeked men to each other, whilst the hungry-eyed women kept indoors.

And then Mrs. Robins fell ill, and her son and his wife had no work, and the children grew pinched and poor looking, though they fared better than most.

"Tis the soup kitchens and free breakfasts at the schools as saves them from sickening like me," said the poor grandmother, who lay fading away.

"You'd be far better in the infirmary," quoth the doctor one day. "Go there at once my good woman, and you'll have an even chance yet."

He was a kindly man and a wise one, and he'd known the poor woman for



"I Want My Grannie!"

years, and noticed her patient endurance when the wolf was not far from the door.

"Yes, I'll go there now, doctor," she said, wearily, "but not for the chance as I'll have. I'm past wishin' for aught for myself, sir; but 'twill be easier for Joe and his missis and the children. Why, my grandson, Joey, will get the belly and soup as I costs 'em."

So the ambulance came and took her away, but the children made loud lamentation, and little Joey cried himself to sleep, and wanted grannie in his dreams.

When visiting day arrived they all went up to the infirmary to see her, and even small Joey was comforted by the dear old lady's look of content. She had a snowy cap on her head with its little white frill resting on her silvery hair, and on her shoulders there rested a thick warm crimson shawl. Her daughter-in-law touched it gently.

"Why, mother, how smart you do look!" and poor Mrs. Robins smiled back in return.

"I thought it was different to this, and at first I was fearful to come. Folks talk so much of the poorhouse and counts it somehow a disgrace. But there, we all of us says more than we mean, and I'm comfortable, yes, I am, Joe; I'm warm, and I have plenty to eat; doctor says I may pull through yet, and come back to plague ye again."

But the "plenty to eat," and the warmth, and the doctor himself, were too late. Mrs. Robins had lived a hard life, and the cruel pressure of winter had proved to be more of a strain than she could bear, but she was quiet and contented, and the nurses did their best to pull her through.

One day when she was feeling a little better she told the nurse who was sitting near her at work about her life in the alms, and how she disliked it at first; and about little Joey (the father she meant, not the child), and of his innocent, successful appeal to the neighbors to take care of his mother.

"And they've done it. You would never believe it, my dear, but the roughest and rudest among 'em took care of my Joey and me. They are very good hearted at bottom and they'd have kept me to die there amongst 'em, willing and cheerful they would. But 'tis the Lord's will as I'll die in the workhouse; and I'll go on as quiet as a lamb, and thanking you for all your trouble when my time comes. But I ain't to be buried as a pauper, you must know. I couldn't die peaceful if there was that shame to be faced. 'Tis the neighbors, them as lives or starves in the old alley, as has promised to bury me decent. I'm to have a plain, varnished coffin, with my name painted upon the lid; it's bespoke, nurse, already bespoke, and the neighbors will follow when my time comes."

"Don't fret yourself, dear heart," said the nurse—a kindly and motherly creature. "You must try to live and do credit to you know. I won't forget what you told me. . . . I think I should like to see your alley; they must be very kind neighbors down there."

"That they are," rejoined the falling woman; "but they're low, indeed they're very low. You'll not take offense please, will you, if they seem to speak a little bit rough?"

Although care and skill could not save Mrs. Robins, yet they patched her up for awhile, and she taught many lessons of patience as she lay there content in her bed. Suffering was no new experience to one who had lived in "Pleasant" alley. In the infirmary her sorrows were, she felt, lightened by care, kindness and skill.

"It's fine to have everything done for you," she would say. In her wistful voice. "I've been doin' for others just always, and never looked forward to this. It's for all the world like as if we was ladies; for each has everything she wants for herself. Yet actually some of 'em grumble! Well, to be sure! I suppose at heaven's gates there'll be grumbling if Peter's a bit slow with the keys."

After a few weeks of peace and quiet Mrs. Robins fell asleep, and the alley door nobly to the occasion, they shut up their tenements and went in a great procession to fetch their old favorite away. Seeing that great stream of people many wondered, for it was indeed a curious sight, all so writhed, and so poor and ragged looking, yet quiet and subdued. Joe and his wife in children—little Joey foremost with the rest—had a shabby carriage to take them to the distant burial ground. All the others followed as they best could—on their feet when other methods failed—but every kind of truck and cart was requisitioned, and the people, most of them, had at least a scrap of rags about them. And so they passed on, quite unconscious of the pathos of their poverty.

Next day at dusk the infirmary ward was suddenly invaded by the porter, who called in somewhat hasty accents for the nurse; she came at once.

"What is it Simmons? Is there anything the matter?"

In response the man put his hand behind him and pulled forward a little tearful, muddy, foot-sore urchin.

"Nurse, d'you know this boy? He says you've got his grannie, and he wants her."

And looking closely at the tiny figure, nurse made answer: "Why, it's poor old Mrs. Robins' boy! How did he come all that weary way? He's but a baby to be out alone."

But little lonely Joey wailed his answer.

"I want's my grannie! They put the big box in the ugly pit-hole, but I wants grannie. Where's my grannie? There's lots of grannies here," he went on sobbing, "and they've got red shawls, too. But where's my grannie?"

The doctor came in at the moment and stood within the room; the bright light fell on the small writhing figure, his rain of tears and pretty wistful face, and by him knelt the nurse, her arm around him, holding his cold hands towards the kindly blaze. The solemn porter looked annoyed and puzzled at this departure from all printed rules. The patients, aye, the patients! "Well, bring him in and give him a good meal."

Honest Man.

"Will you love me when I am old?" asked the littletoned damsel with the corkscrew curls, the false frizzes, the suspiciously bright teeth—and the large bank account.

"How far is that, I wonder? Simmons, what d'you say?"

"Why, sir, 'tis three miles sure and certain," said the wondering porter; "and he's a baby to be out alone."

Then the doctor, still as brisk and quick as ever: "Nurse, I shall admit this patient for one night. He is heart-sick, his feet are sore and bleeding."

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HERE'S THE MODERN DOGBERRY

Judge's Maintenance of Dignity Unhappily Expressed.

A Southern lawyer tells of a judge of a county court who had many duties besides his legal ones to perform, but who never for an instant forgot that he "embodied the law" under all circumstances. On one occasion the judge was acting as an auctioneer to dispose of the stock of a retailer who had died a short time before. While the auction was in progress a certain bidder was the cause of a disturbance that finally so exasperated the auctioneer that he suddenly assumed his character of judge and fined the offender in the sum of \$25 for contempt of court.

Of course an application for the remission of the fine was immediately filed by an attorney on the ground that there had been no contempt of court. The attorney maintained that the judge when acting as auctioneer was not a court and was, therefore, liable to contempt. The judge, who heard this application with increasing wrath, assumed every bit of dignity he possessed, and glaring fiercely at attorney, said: "Sir, I will invite your attention to the fact that I am the judge of this country under any and all circumstances; am, sir, the judge, from the rising of the sun to the setting of the same; and as such, sir, let me tell you that I am, sir, always and everywhere an object."

ABSENT-MINDED PERSONS.

Domestic Dialogue Which Betrays Laxity on Both Sides of the House.

"What did you do with my pocket knife when you finished using it?" asked a young man of his wife as they stepped from a street car returning from Swope park yesterday.

A look of consternation spread over the wife's face as she replied:

"Oh! I'm so awfully sorry. I left it sticking in the tree after we ate our luncheon. We were in such a hurry to catch a car, you know."

"You probably hold the record for absent-mindedness," retorted the half angry husband. Just then she caught him wiping the perspiration from his brow with a paper napkin which he had placed in his pocket instead of his handkerchief. He had left the handkerchief lying on the grass.

The family score is now even—

Kansas City Star.

Stilt-Marks on Old China.

Hunting for stilt-marks on old China is often good fun in itself. Almost every old piece of flatware—i. e., plates, platters, saucers, etc.—shows three little rough spots, more or less clearly marked on both sides, usually in the margin. These spots were made by the cockspur or stilt—little tripods used between the plates in piling them up in the kiln. The three points where the cockspur touched the plate caused a defect in the glaze. Unfortunately, stilt-marks are not as sure a guarantee of authenticity as some collectors have supposed, for they are not only easy to imitate, but they are sometimes imperceptible on the old Staffordshire. Furthermore, they appear very frequently on modern tableware of the cheaper sort, and so are no sign of antiquity.—Country Life in America.

Believes in the Newspapers.

"I believe in the newspaper," said Mr. Alexander, the singing evangelist. "To illustrate their carrying power, let me tell a story:

"A newspaper, published in England, one day carried in its columns a sermon by the late Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon. That newspaper found its way to Australia, and eventually was part of a bundle that was thrown under the counter of a store to wrap up packages with. In course of time it was reached and inclosed some articles that were sent to the house of a most ungodly man. He unwrapped the goods, and as he did so the heading of the sermon struck his eye. The man read it, became thoughtful, read it again. He convinced him, and he became an earnest and devout Christian."

What Father Does.

Mothers may talk, work, struggle to make their sons models by which to shape a new heaven and a new earth. But the boy's world is in the man who is his father and the boy believes that, whatever may be right on Sundays or at prayer time, the things that are really good, that really count in life are what father does. Moreover, it is what father does which defines the means with which the boy shall work, the sphere wherein his efforts shall be shaped. In a word, what father does is the beginning as it is the end of the boy's achievements.—Harper's Bazaar.

A Difficult Public.

"Why don't you have newspapers in Russia?"

"What is the use," rejoined the St. Petersburg official, "of bothering with headlines and editorials? The people here don't even pay attention to a ukase."

True Enough.

"Some men are like wine—they improve with age."

"Yes, but the likeness must be perfect, though."

"How do you mean?"

"Well, no wine can improve with age that has ever been drunk."

An Inapt Comparison.

"He looks like a Greek god," said the girl who raved.

"I shouldn't say that," replied Miss Cayenne. "Most of the Greek gods I have seen in art galleries had vacant stares and pieces chipped off their ears or noses."

How It Sounded.

Miss Thumper—That old gentleman erred when I played the nocturne. He said it reminded him of his past life.

"'Twas the biggest follow-in as ever left the alley. The houses was left empty—not a creature stayed behind."

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His Usual Way.

"Did you ever get something for nothing?"

"Yes, but I've found afterward that I've usually paid a pretty high price

HAD THE SOLDIER'S INSTINCT

British General Immediately Diagnosed Meaning of Shot.

To understand war, says the author of "A People at School," is an instinct. To illustrate the aphorism, he tells a story of an English general whose understanding of sounds was phenomenal. One night, he says, after dinner they were all sitting talking at headquarters. They were expecting an attack, and sentries and pickets were posted far out beyond the stockade.

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"The effect isn't so bad," he said. "Anyone that didn't know you might take you for a gentleman. But I didn't think you boasted an evening suit."

"I don't," said Trescott. "These duds are yours."

"Well, of all the gigantic cheek."

"But I didn't come down to talk about that. I want to know if you'll lend me your umbrella. It's raining."

"I'll see you in Jericho first," said the indignant Robertson.

"Oh, very well," said Trescott. "It's for your benefit, you know. I only want it to protect your togs!"

And with a choking gasp Robertson handed over his best gold-mounted rain-defer.

DELIGHTS OF THE CATSKILLS

Where Deer Are Plentiful and the Bear Often Trapped.

Most people who are lovers of camp life turn up their noses when one mentions the Catskills, and, indeed, in certain parts and at certain seasons this country is by no means ideal for camping, says Field and Stream.

However, it is surprising that within 125 miles of New York, there should be places very rarely visited by city people and where deer are plentiful and bears frequently trapped. Certainly the beautiful clear streams and fine mountain scenery are very enticing and, above all, the ease and expense of getting there is a minimum.

Three of us decided to make a trip through this region, gypsy fashion, in a circle of about 100 miles' circumference. The idea was to hire a horse and wagon, stow our tents and blankets and a few necessary clothes in it and travel through the country, visiting the various streams in order to try the fishing. As we had our tent and a few provisions (which latter were easily replenished when we passed a country store), it was not necessary to reach any particular place by nightfall, but rather we were at liberty to stop where the prospects of fishing seemed the best—usually well back from the villages.</